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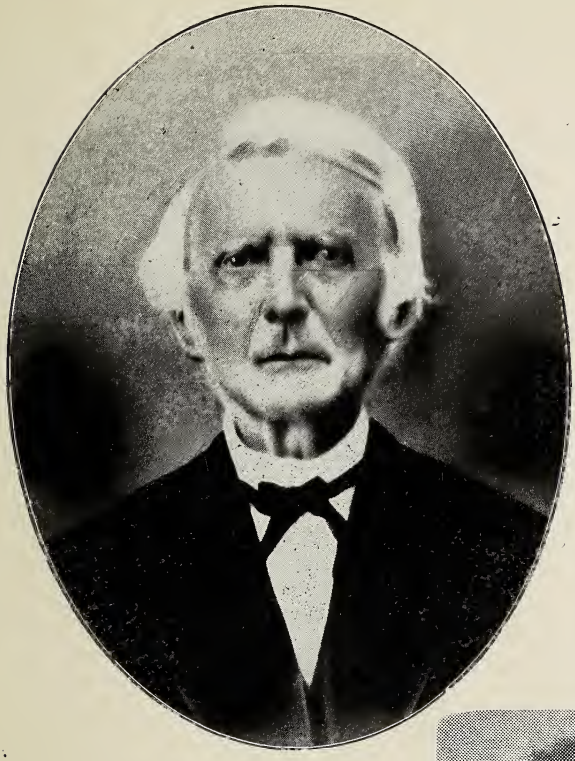

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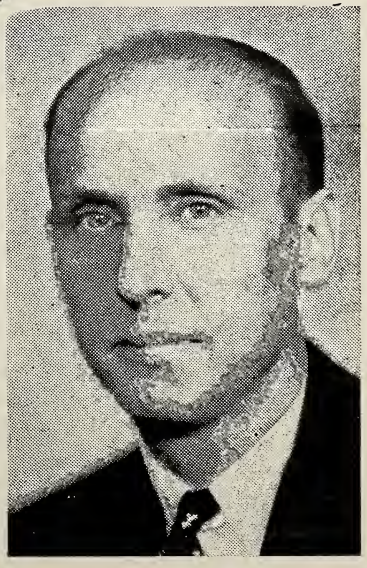

REV. WALTER E. SCHERRY
Our Present Pastor
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ZION'S EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH

POLAND, INDIANA

REV. W. E. SCHERRY ..... MINISTER

MRS. WALTER SPANGLER ..... PIANIST

OFFICERS OF CHURCH

ELDERS—Walter Spelbring, Albert Kattman, Charles Schultz, Fred Keiser.

DEACONS—Clifford Nees, Walter Kord, Paul Ahlemeyer, Harley Mustard.

TRUSTEES—Fred Huckriede, Walter Hauser, Ralph Schopmeyer.

TREASURER OF CURRENT FUNDS—Roy Spelbring.

TREASURER OF BENEVOLENCES—Walter Kord.

FINANCE SECRETARY—Paul Ahlemeyer.

TRUSTEES OF CEMETERY FUND—Orville Spelbring, Fred Huckriede, Lewis Schopmeyer.

PRESIDENT OF CONGREGATION—Dr. W. H. Schroer.

SECRETARY OF CONGREGATION—John Strauch.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COMMITTEES

PROGRAM—Mr. Chas. Schultz, Pres., Ross Kattman, Mrs. Flossie Meyer, Mrs. Dona Spangler, Mr. Walter Hauser.

HISTORICAL—Mr. Walter Spelbring, Chairman; Dr. W. H. Schroer, Miss Dorothy Huckriede, Mrs. Frances Meyer.

PUBLICITY—Mr. Fred Keiser, Chairman; Mr. Marion Sendmeyer, Mrs. Marie Sendmeyer, Mrs. Alma Thompson.

FINANCIAL—Mr. Albert Kattman, Chairman; Mr. Roy Spelbring, Mr. Ralph Schopmeyer, Mrs. Vallie Sonnefield, Mrs. Oscar Meyer.

FOREWORD

It is with some reluctance that your historian gives the title of "History of Zion's Reformed Church" to this work. In some respects it falls short of all that we wish it to contain—chiefly, an intimate character study of all the loyal pioneer members and workers who have contributed to the glorious work and achievements of this our Zion's Evangelical and Reformed Church, near Poland, Indiana.

This is impossible. Those charter members and others who labored in the beginning have long since passed to their reward, as have those who immediately succeeded them, and the records are barren of data. Likewise the minutes yield only little of the events and endeavors of the early days or even of more recent times. The work and deeds of some, however, are herein recounted.

It was with the desire of preserving for future generations in the church, in comprehensive and instructive form, colorful data of men and events, that this work was attempted. With the meager records available the task has been prodigious.

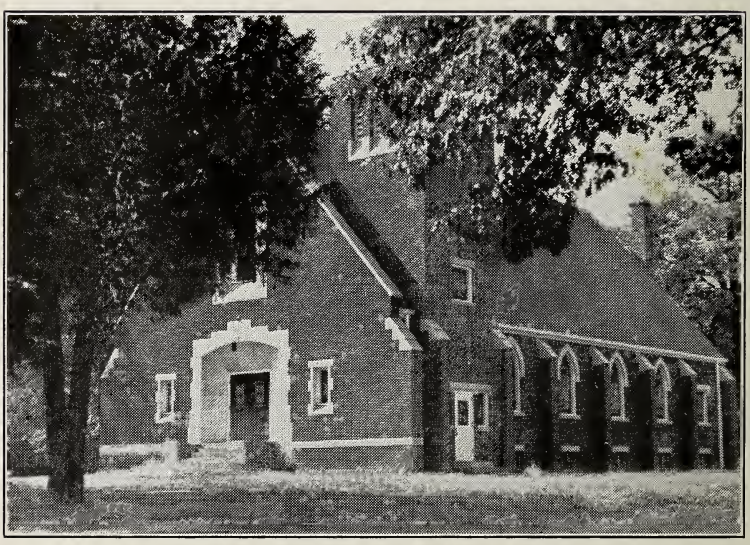
Considerable information has been obtained from a wide variety of sources; but much has gone forever, and the preservation of what remains and that more easily obtained concerning more recent times, is the object of this undertaking.

In this compilation a complete survey of the minutes of the church and consistory meetings and Sunday School records at hand has been made.

Grateful acknowledgement is made to the history produced by the Rev. H. H. Kattman, Rev. Worthman and others.

We are mindful of the shortcomings of the work, but it is submitted in the hope that it may serve to preserve in a durable and convenient form facts, incidents, and data to the history of our church since its organization one hundred years ago, September 6. 1840.

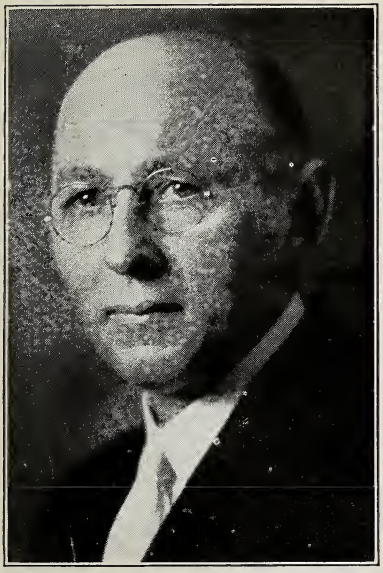
W. H. SCHROER.



OUR HOUSE OF WORSHIP

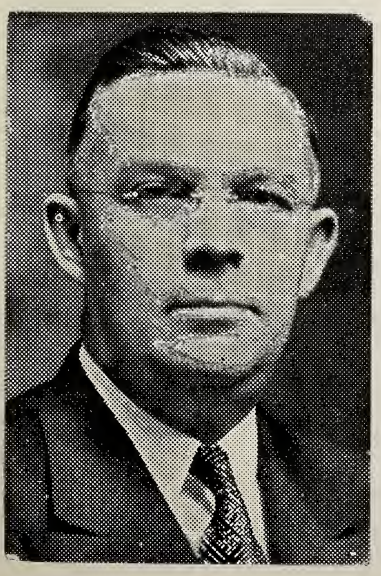
Sept. 11—S. S. Night.
Sept. 12—Men's Night.
Sept. 13—Ladies' Night.
Sept. 15—Anniversary Sunday.

OUR ANNIVERSARY SPEAKERS

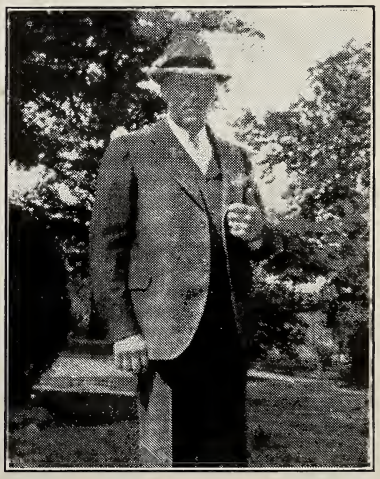


REV. O. H. SCHERRY, New Bavaria, Ohio, Wednesday Evening, Sept. 11. Subject, "Anniversary Salutations."

REV. W. E. HUCKERIEDE, Terre Haute, Ind., Thursday, Sept. 12. Subject, "The Master Builder."



REV. MAT. WORTHMAN, Bluffton, Ind., Friday Evening, Sept. 13. Subject, "A Century of Blessing."



REV. JOHN F. TAPY, Washington, D. C., Sunday Morning, Sept. 15.

THE EMIGRATION

A FEW YEARS PRIOR to the organization of Zion's Reformed church, near Poland, Indiana, an emigration from Germany had begun; and had begun from necessity. The parish had increased in population from year to year so that the community had become very congested. The soil could no longer give sustenance to the population. The cultivation of the soil, which had become unproductive, was not so well understood in that day. These folks knew nothing about commercial fertilizers or modern implements. The emigration was a Godsend in that it relieved a crowded and congested condition at home and opened doors of opportunity to those of dauntless spirit. German settlers were found in the vicinity of Poland as early as 1818.

In 1836 Col. John B. Nees, who demands more than passing notice, became a resident of Cass township. He was a man of education, well versed in both the German and English languages. In the early settlement of this community, he rendered invaluable service in pointing out the fertile lands, and especially in assisting his German friends in the entry of their respective farms. To his zeal in this direction is largely due the fact that Poland and vicinity was occupied in an early day by a thrifty and moral class of people.

In 1837 we find the names Ahlemeyer, Nees, Stutz, Gilbrecht and others, who had, no doubt, been influenced by Mr. Nees to locate in this territory.

Gilbrecht died in February, 1840, and was the first to be buried in the old cemetery. In this cemetery in which the remains of the earliest members of the congregation were laid to rest, burials continued to be made until the new cemetery across the road was established in 1906.

About a month previous to the death of Mr. Gilbrecht, however, he had helped to clear a piece of forest and prepare a place for a cemetery and a church lot. This plot of land was purchased from Mr. Johnathan Bauman. It was on this occasion, while sitting upon a fallen tree, they organized themselves, in a rather primitive manner, into a body politic, and elected as their first trustees Henry Ahlemeyer, John Horsch and Louis Stutz. (Mr. Stutz was of the Lutheran faith).

During the following years the names of Schroer, Bauman, Sonnefield, Franke, Telgemeyer, Tapy, Spelbring, Thoene, Boochhold, Knueppe, Kattman, Wittenberg, and others are mentioned. Among this number was Rev. Gerhard H. Zumpe, who was born in the year 1803, at Lotte, in the kingdom of Prussia. He was educated in Berlin, the capitol of Prussia, and emigrated in 1832. The majority of the first members of this congregation had left Germany about the same time, and he stayed with them in different places in this country until at last they all found a resting place near Poland, Ind.

As was true of all pioneer settlers, they found it difficult to provide food and clothing for themselves and their families, but through hard work and saving and careful management they finally became well-to-do farmers. These Germans were of a peaceable, moral and religious nature. At home they had been accustomed to good schools and uplifting worship. They had learned, "Man lives not by bread alone," and had therefore not neglected to bring with them the Bible, Heidelberg Catechism, hymn books, and no doubt, copies of Rev. Krummacher's and Rev. Hoffacker's sermon books. We know that during the absence of the minister an elder or some one would read a sermon from one of these books.

Very soon these people became keenly conscious of their children's need of good schooling and Christian training.

The early days were without doubt filled with many bitter experiences. Further back than 1836 and 1837 of our congregation's life it is impossible to look. Yet, one hundred years ago, our church was born. Only God knows through whom and how these intrepid souls, wresting their lives from the virgin soil, and in whose log cabin His Holy Spirit gathered them into a nucleus of the communion in the unity of the true faith.

The homesteads of these early settlers were scattered over a radius of a few miles from the area of Poland. Their aim was to establish a new home and also a church for the honor, glory and worship of their God, whom they had learned to love, honor, trust and obey in the land from whence they came.

On the 6th day of September, 1840, these people met in the home of Jacob Bauman and organized a church, no doubt, adopted certain rules and regulations for their government. They elected the Rev. Gerhard H. Zumpe as their pastor, William Ahlemeyer, elder, and Henry J. Schroer, deacon.

The newly organized congregation received the name "Zion's German Reformed Church near Poland, Indiana." This name, however, has been changed within the past three or four years, because of the merger of the Evangelical and Reformed, and today it bears the name, "Zion's Evangelical and Reformed Church."

The congregation was organized with 31 charter members, representing thirteen families.

CHARTER MEMBERS

The names of the charter members have, to our knowledge, never been published and are therefore included in this sketch, for they should be of great interest to many of our people. The names are recorded as follows: Henry Ahlemeyer, Herman Ahlemeyer, William Ahlemeyer, Jacob Bauman, Franz Sonnefield, Henry J. Schroer, Fritz Schroer, William Sonnefield, J. Telgemeyer, John Horsch, Geo. Knueppe, William Franke and H. Tapy.

OUR FIRST PASTOR

ON SUNDAY, September 13, 1840, the Rev. Zumpe took up his work as pastor. To be the first pastor of a small flock under the primitive conditions of that early day involved great responsibilities and sacrifice, but trusting in God, Rev. Zumpe was equal to the occasion.

His salary was $35.50 per annum, and during his pastorate of 24 years did not exceed $250.00 per year, besides the aid given him in clearing 40 acres of land he had received from his father-in-law, the Mr. Jacob Bauman.

Believing in education, both secular and religious, the congregation soon felt the need of a school house, which they erected in the year 1842. It was a very crude structure of logs and was used for religious services on Sundays until the year 1844. Previous to the building of this school house, they worshipped in the homes of Jacob Bauman, William Sonnefield and George Knueppe, and then in the school house which was located on the southwest corner of the Franz Sonnefield farm, now owned by Walter Hauser.

In 1844 a log church was built, 30 feet long and 24 feet wide. This building was erected on the northeast corner of the plot of land, which had been purchased January 16, 1840, and set aside for a cemetery and a church lot, located in Washington township, Clay county, one mile south of Poland, Indiana.

Cost of building was approximately $25.00, the members doing the work themselves. It was, of course, quite a primitive structure. The seats and furniture were made of hand-split and splintered planks, the seats resting on trestles; with no backs, no paint or varnish to add to their beauty. If they used any lights at all they must have been the old type oil lamps or candles.

THE FRAME CHURCH

Other families moving into the neighborhood increased the congregation so that the log church could no longer accommodate all. Among the families mentioned elsewhere there were others of the Lutheran faith who had come into the community. They attended the divine services and helped support the pastor and also contributed to the upkeep of the property. They were granted the same privileges as those of the Reformed faith and had the right to vote on any question. They had one-third interest in the church property. From the date of the organization of the church to the year 1899 the Lutherans were represented by one member on the board of trustees. Fred Schultz was elected trustee to take his father's place.

At a congregational meeting held the first day of January, 1854, the congregation resolved to erect a new frame building. This was quite an undertaking as the large timbers had to be hewn by hand, and the most of the rough lumber sawed out by hand. Here again there was unity and a determination to win. We are sorry that we are unable to produce a picture of this frame church.

The following building committee was appointed: William Franke, Frederick Ahlemeyer and Carl Wittenberg. The contractors were Frederick R. Tapy and Henry Franke. They agreed to build the church 45 feet long from east to west, and 30 feet wide from north to south, and 15 feet high from floor to ceiling, for $700.00.

The seats and pulpit were given by contract to Mr. Gerhard Sonnefield. The cost of building and furnishings amounted to $925.00. The appointments of this building within and without were simplictiy itself, lacking the adornment of even a modest tower and bell. The seats and furniture were constructed of the very best of poplar. The middle tier of seats was divided by a partition. The men sitting to the north side of this partition and the women and children to the south side. Two large stoves kept the worshipers comfortable, and kerosene lamps, fastened to the walls furnished the light.

In 1863 a pipe organ, which had to be pumped by hand, was purchased at a cost of $220.00 including transportation. S. M. Gring was chosen the first organist. The organ, however, was not used until fall, when a meeting of classis was held in the church. Up to this time the worshipers sang without instrumental accompaniment. The hymn books in the hands of the people contained no notes. The minister would often read a line or so, then the congregation would sing it, some one leading the singing.

GERHARD ZUMPE RESIGNS

After serving the congregation ten years, Rev. Zumpe resigned to accept a call from the church in Evansville, Indiana. Shortly following his resignation, a Rev. Riehle, a German professor in the Methodist school in Greencastle offered to preach for the congregation. It appears that he had expressed a desire and willingness to unite with the Reformed church. He was invited to preach. This glorious prospect was of a very short duration. It was soon discovered that he had secretaly attended prayer meetings conducted by the German Methodists in the community, and that his motives were not genuine in offering his services to the congregation. George Knueppe the elected elder and William Franke, the elected deacon, refused to have him install them in their respective offices. Quite a heated argumnt took place and the Rev. Riehle was informed that his services were no longer desired. Riehle took his silk plug hat and golden headed cane, marched down the aisle, shouting as he went, "I do not desire being a "separationist preacher". The records state that he finally died in Terre Haute, an infidel.

The charge remained vacant until May or June of the following year (1851) when John Baumunk, a theological student, was requested to supply until a regular pastor could be secured. He gladly consented, and served the charge until 1852. Eternity alone will tell what influence and blessing resulted from his efforts during this time. An epidemic of flux was raging and caused many deaths.

During the years of pulpit vacancy the German Methodists had worked their way into the community and sought to proselyte among the members of the Reformed church. They met with more or less suc-

cess. Some of the Reformed people united with this church, later on, however, returning to their home church.

These German Methodists originally held their services in the home of a Mr. Bohley in a log room located on the farm known as the Gerhard Sonnefield farm. Some time later they erected a church building on the northeast corner of the John Schopmeyer farm, across the road from the Dennis Schroer farm. Later on the church disbanded, the Methodist conference refusing to send them any more ministers. The church building was sold to Henry Aldendorf and converted into a dwelling, located on the farm now owned by Miss Ida Schopmeyer.

During the absence of Rev. Zumpe the congregation seemed to keep in close touch with him, no doubt keeping him informed of the conditions existing in the congregation and begging him to return. After giving it due consideration he finally consented to return. Some time during the month of March, Mr. Tapy and Mr. George Knueppe hitched their horses to their wagons, wended their way to Evansville, Ind., a distance of approximately 350 to 400 miles round trip, loaded the minister, his family and their belongings and hauled them back to Poland. In those days the roads were bad and motor cars were unknown.

He began his second pastorate April 1, 1852, and resigned in the spring of 1866. He served the charge 24 years, but in two pastorates. From 1840 to 1850, then from 1852 to 1866.

In 1865 the congregation bought the 12 acres of land, including orchard and log house, that had served the Rev. Zumpe as a home for 24 years, price $900.00. This property was to serve as a parsonage for the minister serving the congregation. A few years later an addition of four rooms was added at a cost of $814.

OUR SECOND PASTOR

THE CHARGE being vacant, the consistory requested Rev. C. T. Martin, who was pastor of the Reformed church in Terre Haute at this time, to assist them in securing a suitable pastor. It was through him that Rev. Joerris, of Sturgis, Michigan, consented to occupy the pulpit for a few Sundays. On July 4, 1866, a congregational meeting was held, and Rev. Joerris was unanimously elected and a call extended, at a salary of $430.00 per year with the use of parsonage and land. The call was accepted and he begun his pastorate the following September. His pastorate extended from September, 1866, to 1884, when on the 3rd of August he resigned to accept a call from the Reformed church near Olney, Illinois.

Among the first steps taken was the drafting and adoption of a constitution and the requirement of recording all proceedings taken by the congregation. It seems that during the pastorate of Rev. Zumpe that a constitution had been drafted and adopted, but that it had been lost. No records of the transactions of the church had been kept, all was done by oral agreement.

The next step taken was the organization of a Ladies Aid Society.

known as the "Frauen Verein". This organization is in existence today, having been the backbone of the church almost 75 years.

English services were introduced, to be held on the first Sunday of each month. At a congregational meeting held November 29, 1866, the congregation decided to sell the old log school house and erect a frame building on the southwest corner of the Frank Tapy farm, now owned by Otis Schopmeyer. Accordingly one-fourth acre was purchased for this purpose. Cost of plot was $15.00. Presumably the proceeds, at least in part, received from the sale of the old school house, were applied on the new building.

This school house to be used for religious purposes only. Every spring following the closing of the public schools a six or eight weeks course in religious training was given. This school was maintained by subscription. The parents paying at the rate of twenty-five cents per week for each pupil enrolled.

Henry Franke and J. H. Spelbring were elected to serve as trustees. This building was sold to Albert Kattman during the year 1939.

At this same congregational meeting held November 29, 1866, Herman Kaiser was elected the first Sunday School Superintendent and Henry Huckriede the first Librarian. Since this time there is no further record of the congregation electing these officers. Beginning with the year 1870 the minutes report the election of both superintendent and assistant by the school.

At the close of a short pastorate near Olney, Illinois, Rev. Joerris returned to Poland, where he spent the remainder of his days.

Quoting from his obituary written by Rev. Grether, "Brother Joerris was a decided Christian and an able minister of the Gospel and in sermon and pastoral work laid great stress on the truth, "One thing is needful." As a faithful minister of the church he knew from experience of the only comfort in life and in death. He stood on this spiritual truth; and his pastoral work was imbued with this spirit.

THE COURSE FINISHED

It was on the 26th day of October, 1891, that he lay down to his final rest. His life among men had been lived, he had run his course. Weary of body, but ready and anxious in spirit to be absent from the body and present with the Lord, he peacefully "fell asleep." He had gone to meet his God whom he had served with a child-like heart. His sojourn on earth was 67 years, five months and 24 days. His body lies buried near that of his life companion in the cemetery south of the church.

It was a very impressive service. Not the words that were spoken, not the hymns that were sung, made the profound impression. It was the mourning congregation weeping at the casket of their once spiritual father beloved, that made the service so impressive. The Rev. Stern, of Indianapolis, based his remarks on the words (John 12:26) "If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there also shall my servant be; if any man serve me, him will my Father honor." Rev. Wittenwyler, of Clay City, Indiana spoke on the text, Psalms 42;8-11.

OUR THIRD PASTOR

THE THIRD pastorate began when the Rev. A. G. Gekeler was elected on October 27, 1884, and entered upon a brief but blessed ministry Sunday, December 14, 1884. Salary $500.00 per year. Being a man full of life, energy and very enthusiastic and very progressive, he under took to organize the Reformed people in the vicinity of Saline, Indiana, into a congregation. At first his efforts seemed to be crowned with success and the field seemed to be exceptionally promising; but very soon through some unknown reason the congregation disbanded.

Zion's congregation having grown numerically as well, as financially, and the frame church, which had been in use since 1854 had long since become too small to accommodate the growing flock, Rev. Gekeler called the attention of the members to the need of a larger and a more substantial building. The members realizing the need immediately resolved to erect a new building. All plans were made. A location had been secured, plans for the building were drafted and subscriptions amounting to $3,000.00 secured, and the prospects for an additional $1,000.00 very promising. Everything seemed to be working out very nicely and satisfactorily when all of a sudden there was a halt. Rev. Gekeler tendered his resignation June 19, 1888, to accept a call from the church in Frostburg, Maryland. His resignation was very reluctantly accepted.

During the months following his resignation and departure nothing was done concerning the proposed new building, until the following November.

OUR FOURTH PASTOR

REV WILLIAM GRETHER, the fourth pastor, who had been elected August 27, 1888, began his pastorate the following November. One of his first duties was the taking up and zealously pushing forward the building of the new church, the preliminaries of which had been taken care of during the previous pastorate. A location several feet north of the frame church had been secured and a beautiful brick edifice was erected, the brick having been made and burned on the Frank Tapy farm, across the road east of the church. This new building from east to west measured 66 feet and from north to south 42 feet.

The tower at the northeast corner rose to the heighth of 95 feet. Approximate cost of this edifice was $6,000.00. The large bell which rang out its sweet tones from the tower was donated by the Mr. Fritz Schroer, a charter member of the church. The building was not completed, however, until the year 1890, due to a delay in securing the seats and furniture. The Ladies Aid Society, which had been organized by the Rev. Joerris, provided the church with seats, pulpit and chairs. The Young Ladies Society, which had been brought into existence by the Rev. William Grether, purchased the organ and the carpet. Kerosene lamps were used at first; later they were replaced by gasoline lights and then the Delco system was installed.

CORNER STONE LAYING

The corner stone of this building was laid August 27, 1889. The opening service for this occasion was held in the frame church, then the congregation marched to the new location. Rev. Grether opened the service with prayer. Rev. Joerris read the scripture lesson and offered prayer. Rev. F. B. Schwedes, of Terre Haute, spoke on the subject, "Christ the Chief Corner Stone." And the English message was delivered by the Rev. Reiche, of Louisville, Kentucky, on the subject, "Christ the Corner Stone of All Sacred and Spiritual Building." Rev. Grether then read the service and laid the stone.

A Bible, Heidelberg Catechism, Constitution of the Church, various church and county papers, coins of various denominations were placed in the container and the stone was sealed.

THE DAY OF DEDICATION

Dedication service took place on the 27th of July, 1890. The speakers for the occasion were Prof. Frank Grether, of the Mission House College, Franklin, Wisconsin; Rev. Kemm, of Linton, Indiana; Rev. Wittenwyler, of Clay City; Rev. Barth, of Indianapolis, and Rev. Schlund, of the Evangelical church, west of Poland. Rev. William Grether assisted by Rev. Joerris, had charge of the dedicatory service.

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

On the 7th day of September, 1890 in connection with the Mission and Harvest Home Festival, the congregation celebrated its 50th anniversary The speakers were Rev. H. C. Nott, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Rev. Carl Kriete, of Fort Wayne; Rev. Fox of the Presbyterian church, Poland, and Rev. Peter Joerris. Offering for the day amounted to $35.50.

November 15th, 1894, Rev. Grether resigned, to accept a call from the congregation at Millersburg, Ohio. Neighboring pastors supplied the pulpit during the vacancy from November 15, 1894 to May, 1895. During this time the consistory began corresponding with H. H. Kattman who at that time was a student in Heidelberg Seminary, in Tiffin, Ohio. He was invited to come to Poland during the Christmas vacation and preach a trial sermon. At a congregational meeting held January 15, 1895, he was unanimously elected and a call extended. The call was conditionally accepted until Indiana classis should see fit to examine, license him, and sanction the call.

OUR FIFTH PASTOR

REV. H. H. KATTMAN began his pastorate on May 2, 1895, serving the congregation eleven and one-half years. June 30, 1895, he was installed and ordained by the Rev. C. Wisner and Rev. K. L. Kemm, both having been his former pastors. It was during his pastorate that a new two-story addition of four rooms was built to the parsonage. It was through his efforts that the Reformed church hymnals were introduced; the young ladies bought them.

December 31, 1904, at a congregational meeting, Mr. W. E. Schultz made a motion that the Constitution of the Church be translated into the English language. Motion was carried and accordingly a committee

of the following men was appointed: Fred Schultz, Henry Altemiller, Henry Sendmeyer and Fred Huckriede; this committee to work in conjunction with Rev. Kattman. April 1, 1906, the translated and revised Constitution was read before the congregation and adopted.

Rev. Kattman saw great possibilities in the host of young people about him and realized their need of organized activity and fellowship. On January 20, 1898, a meeting was called for the purpose of organizing a Christian Endeavor Society with 13 charter members: A Constitution and By-Laws were drafted and adopted. The first officers were: C. T. Godfrey, President; J. H. Huckriede, Vice President; Lewis Schopmeyer, Secretary, and J. H. Huckriede, Corresponding Secretary. This group soon participated in young people's services held Sunday evenings preceding the preaching services.

The pastor's salary was increased to $700.00. 150 to 160 members were added to the church during his pastorate. Sixty members of the church passed from time to eternity. He resigned in September, 1906, to accept a call tendered him by the congregation at Berne, Indiana.

At a special meeting held October 16, 1906, the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, that the Zion's Reformed congregation herewith set aside all restrictions heretofore adopted as to the burial place of suicides within the congregation; that is, the granting the privilege, that suicides may be buried along the side of other members of the family, if so desired." Up to this date suicides had been buried in the southwest corner of the old cemetery; this section having been set aside in previous years for this purpose.

Rev. Kattman was a true and conscientious shepherd of his flock. He watched over the activities of his flock with the care of a spiritual father. He took a very firm stand against all impurities. In ministering to the sick and comforting the sorrowing he was a master. At the close of the consistory meeting held October 10, 1906, he wrote the following message: "We took up our work at Poland May 2, 1895. The farewell message was held October 28, 1906, and we left for Berne, Indiana, Oct. 30th. We felt our weakness during our pastorate and the work done was only through the grace of God; to Him be the praise. The Poland charge and community was very kind to us and we appreciate the same. It was a matter of conscience that led us to resign and accept the call from the congregation at Berne, Indiana, thinking it was our duty. The Lord bless the Poland charge and give them a good pastor is my prayer. Signed, H. H. Kattman."

OUR SIXTH PASTOR

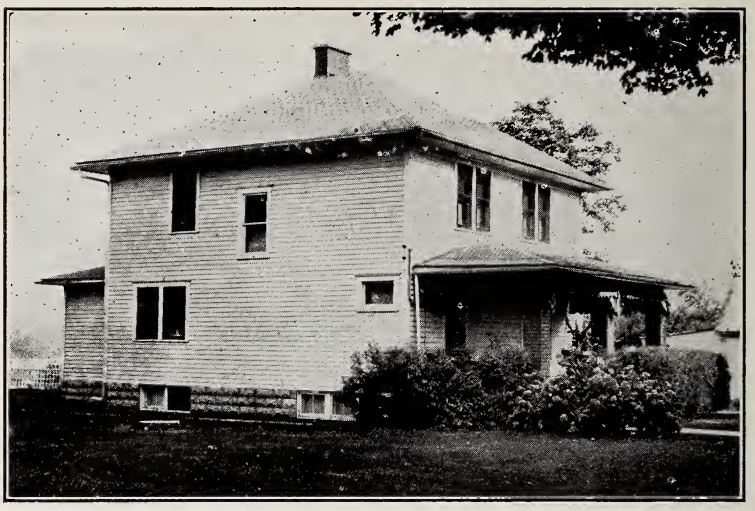
REV. C. H. RIEDESEL, who was located in Galion, Ohio, having received and accepted a call from this charge, began his pastorate in February, 1907. He served the charge until March 23, 1913, when he took up the mission work at Kimama, Idaho. Rev. and Mrs. Riedesel were the possessors of very fine musical talents. Quite a number of the present members of our church received their first piano instructions from the pastor and his companion; The minister discovering the musical talent in the congregation, organized the first orchestra.

The proposition of enlarging the cemetery came up during his pastorate. John Kattman, Fred Schultz, Henry Wahlbring, and Henry Schopmeyer were appointed a committee to consider this proposition and get prices from the owners of the land adjoining the cemetery and report their findings. At a special meeting called for June 13, this committee reported that two acres could be bought from Henry Altemiller at $50.00 per acre. The congregation resolved to buy this plot of the northwest corner of this farm, located across the road east of the old cemetery. Said plot to be laid out in lots to be sold for $6.00 each. A men's class was organized during his ministry and he was chosen their first teacher.

OUR SEVENTH PASTOR

REV W. E. HUCKERIEDE began his pastorate May 1, 1913; salary. $1,000.00. During his pastorate there was an improvement in parsonages that kept step with the growing strength of the congregation.. The parsonage had been occupied by the Pastors Zumpe, Joerris, Gekeler, Grether, Kattman, Riedesel and Huckeriede and their families for half a century or longer, and it was brought to the notice of the congregation that a more modern and convenient parsonage and a relocation of the same would be more in keeping with the growth of the church. The trustees were instructed to look for a new location and to sell the old parsonage. along with the twelve

Old Parsonage of Zion's Reformed Church
Now Owned by Albert Fledderjohn.



The New Parsonage of 1919, Located in Poland

acres of land. This property was finally sold to Mr. Albert Fledderjohn for $1,500.00.

On March 23, 1919, at a special meeting, the trustees reported that seven lots were available in the village of Poland. Some of these lots had buildings on them, others had not. Out of the seven, the lot owned by Mrs. Mary Bartholomew, located south of the Methodist church, now owned by the Ladies Aid Society of the church, was purchased for $300.00. The trustees, L. D. Tressell, Henry Kohlenberg and Fred Huckriede, selected Fred Schultz, Ross Kattman, Edward Strauch and Lafe Ahlemeyer to work with them as a building committee. The money was raised by subscription in three equal installments.

Work on the building began during the summer of 1919 and completed some months later. Cost of building was $6,000.00. The Rev. Huckeriede and family were the first occupants; then followed in their turn the families of Pastors Worthman, Barr and our present pastor, the Rev. W. E. Scherry and his family.

OUR SOLDIER BOYS

During the years 1914 to 1918 our country passed through the dark period of the world war, which caused much sadness, but the members showed loyalty to their country by giving fifteen of their sons, and by submitting themselves to the demands of those in authority. All of these sons are with us today, except two, namely: Arthur Carl Schopmeyer, who died on the 8th day of October, 1918, of influenza, at Camp Beauregard, Louisiana; and Ralph Hauser, who met with a tragic death March 10, 1926. Both are buried in the cemetery near the church. They are gone but not forgotten. We have reason to believe that those who are with us today are striving to become better Soldiers of the Cross, fighting all

1. Arthur C. Schopmeyer; 2, Oscar F. Meyer; 3, Irvin Spelbring; 4. Irvin E. Schopmeyer; 5, George E. Schopmeyer; 6, Wm. McKinley Smith; 7, Dennis Schroer; 8. John H. Hauser; 9, Elmer E. Schroer; 10, Ralph E. Hauser; 11, Roy A. Sonnefield; 12, Jean O. Thompson; 13, Walter K. Hauser; 14, Wm. F. Wahlbring; 15, Lester R. Sonnefield.

that is wrong and degrading and upholding all that is noble and uplifting.

May 29, 1924, Rev. Huckeriede, having served the charge faithfully for eleven years, resigned to accept a call from the Bethany Reformed church at Terre Haute, Indiana. His pastorate was a very blessed and fruitful one.

OUR EIGHTH PASTOR

ON JULY 6, 1924, Zion's Reformed church met in special session to extend Rev. Mathew Worthman, of St. Paris, Ohio, a call. The call was accepted and on Sept. 21, 1924, he began his fruitful labors among this people as the eighth pastor in the history of the church. As a pastor beloved, he exercised a remarkable leadership during a pastorate of seven years. Worthy of mention during his ministry are: During the month of May, 1926, the proposition of buying ten acres of land lying north and west of the church was placed before the congregation by Fred Huckriede, Henry Kohlenberg and Albert Kattman. These men had bought this tract in June, 1920, from Charles and Fred Anderson. Automobiles were coming into use more and more at that time and these men, no doubt, felt that the congregation might very soon be in need of parking space. In 1926 parking space did become an item of great importance. Realizing this need the congregation bought this tract for $285.00. The money was raised by subscription and the selling of some of the timber on this tract.

Next item worthy of notice was the creating of a cemetery fund of $2,000.00, the interest of which to be used for the maintenance of the cemetery. Today the fund consists of almost $1,800.00. Rev. John Tapy donated the first $100.00. Fred Huckriede, O. H. Spelbring and L. D. Schopmeyer compose the cemetery committee. The old cemetery was spaded, leveled and sodded during this time.

In the fall of 1925 a men's quartette was organized and in 1926 the orchestra was reorganized. Today Ralph Schopmeyer is the director and Mrs. Walter Spangler the pianist.

We are glad to record that the ministers' wives have done their part in interesting the young girls in the promotion of God's Kingdom. Mrs. Worthman was instrumental in organizing the Girls' Missionary Guild, which was organized with 14 charter members. Today they have an enrollment of 22 members. Mrs. Marie Sendmeyer is the counsellor.

90TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CHURCH

The 90th anniversary of the founding of the church was celebrated September 14, 1930. On Wednesday evening a splendid address was delivered by Rev. Huckeriede, a former pastor of the church. Thursday evening Rev. David Grether, of Magley, Indiana, read a sermon his father had prepared for the occasion, poor health not permitting his father to attend. Mrs. P. C. Tilley, of Brazil, Indiana, a granddaughter of

Rev. Joerris, gave a very interesting talk on the time her grandfather served the congregation. Friday evening a message was brought by Rev. John Tapy, a son of the congregation. Rev. Carl Schroer, another son of the congregation, spoke on Sunday morning, and Rev. Kiewit, of Terre Haute, brought the celebration to a close Sunday evening.

June 12, 1931, Rev. Worthman tendered his resignation to accept a call from the Reformed church, at Bluffton, Indiana.

OUR NINTH PASTOR

THE NINTH pastorate began when Reginald Barr, of Fairfield, Ohio, entered upon a brief ministry August 23, 1931. The next few years were very trying years for pastor and congregation. The brick structure in which worship had been conducted for almost 50 years was struck by lightning early in the morning of April 27, 1936. Fire started in the ninety-five foot tower and burned slowly for several hours. To say that our hearts were filled with sadness would be stating it very mildly. A new and hard task was confronting the congregation. Only about 18 of the members that had contributed to the erection of the brick church 50 years ago were living at this time. The rest had gone on before, to their eternal rest.

Now the erection of a new building was resting on the shoulders of an entirely new generation. We are, however, inclined to think that perhaps after all the destruction of the building was only a blessing in disguise. When the workmen began clearing away the debris, the walls, upon falling, crumbled into dust.

The congregation immediately resolved to erect a new building. This resolution was filled with a holy desire that finally became contagious. A building committee of the following members was appointed: Henry Kohlenberg, Ross Kattman, Orville Spelbring, Charley Schultz, Lester Sonnefield, Arthur Meyer, Oscar Meyer, Otis Schopmeyer, Fred Huffman, Vere Nees, and Walter Hauser. On the 4th of July, 1937, the pastorate of Rev. Barr came to a close.

OUR TENTH PASTOR

AT A SPECIAL MEETING held October 17, 1937 Rev. W. E. Scherry, of Stoutsville, Ohio, was unanimously elected to become the tenth pastor; salary $1,500.00. He began his pastorate December 1, 1937. Following the destruction of the church building nothing was done concerning the proposed new building until in the fall of 1937, when the basement was excavated and walled by the members.

In February, 1938, work on the building began in earnest. The building is a very beautiful brick veneer with limestone trimmings. Size, 75 feet long by 42 feet wide, with a tower built at the northeast corner extending to the heighth of the comb of the roof. Approximate cost of building, $21,000.00.

At a special congregational meeting, held January 21, 1938, it was resolved to have the building electrically lighted. Rev. Scherry's class of

men purchased the fixtures, as well as the chairs and seats for the rostrum.

The log church of 1844 and the frame of 1854 were located in Washington township, and the brick church of 1889 and the present church in Cass township, Clay County, Indiana.

CORNER STONE LAYING

The corner stone was laid with appropriate services on Sunday afternoon, April 26, 1938, two years after the destruction of the former church. Dr. Ralph Holland, of the Carrolton Ave. Evangelical and Reformed church, Indianapolis, preached the sermon, using as his text the words, "All the people shouted with a great shout, because the foundations of the temple had been laid." Rev. Witthof pronounced the invocation; Rev. William Feller read the scripture lesson; Rev. Raymond Vitz read a Psalm (these ministers are all located in Terre Haute, Ind.); Rev. John Michael of Clay City offered prayer; Rev. W. E. Scherry, our present pastor, read the service and pronounced the benediction.

The following articles were placed in the stone: A Bible, Heidelberg Catechism, a copy of the Evangelical and Reformed Messenger, Reformed Church Constitution (which had been taken from the container in the old corner stone), a Heidelberg Teacher, a copy of the Clay County Times and Gazette; a 1937 penny; a five-cent piece of 1889, the date of the previous church; a copy of Rev. Worthman's "History of Zion's Reformed Church," and a copy of the new Constitution. Then the container was closed and Mr. Donald Pitts, the contractor, sealed the stone.

At the laying of the corner stone only one member, namely, Mrs. Catherine Schroer, aged 85, who had come into the church during the last year of Rev. Zumpe's pastorate, and three of Rev. Joerris' first class, namely William Sonnefield, Henry Wahlbring and Mrs. Mary Schopmeyer were living at this time.

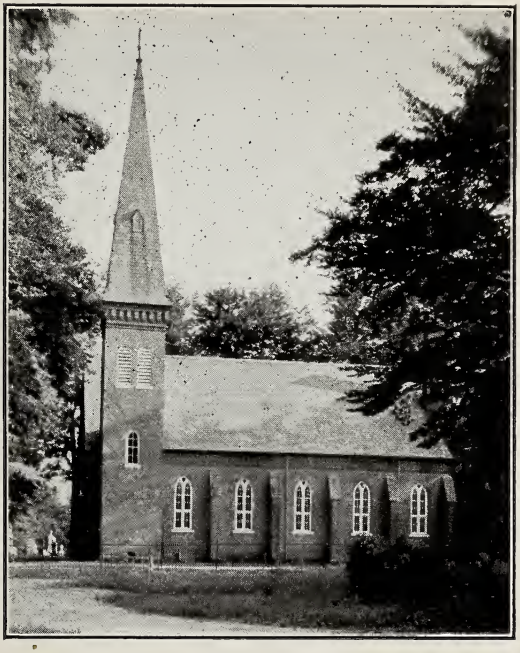
The foundation walls had been covered with boards to provide a floor. A temporary rostrum had been prepared at the entrance of the building for the speakers and choir and seats arranged under the beautiful shade trees. An offering was lifted amounting to $162.25.

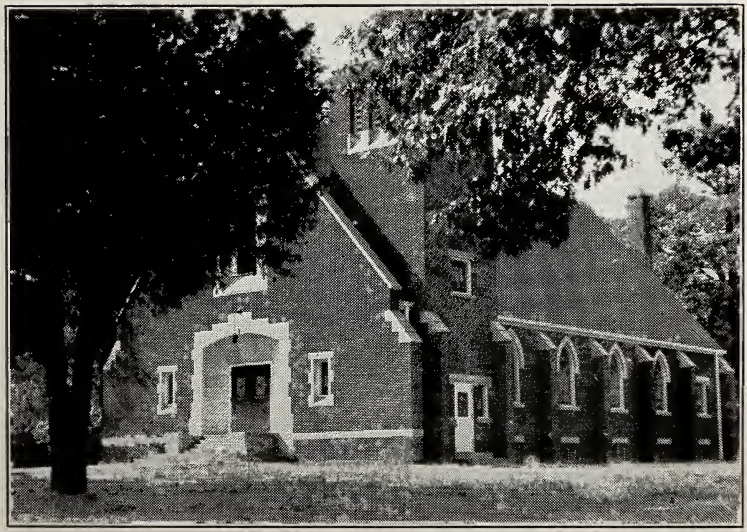
From the time of the destruction of the church to the day of dedication the congregation worshiped in the community building in Poland.

THE GREAT DAY OF DEDICATION

Sunday, October 16, 1938, the imposing and stately House of God was dedicated to the service of the Triune God. This may have been the greatest day of jubilation in the history of the church. From the old log cabin of 1844 to the frame church of 1854, then to the brick church of 1889, and now to the beautiful brick veneer with its lime stone trimmings! Long before the hour of worship on this beautiful Sabbath morning the people gathered from far and near, before the portals of the new church, waiting for the opening of the doors. Finally at the ap-

THE BRICK CHURCH DEDICATED IN 1890





OUR NEW HOUSE OF WORSHIP, DEDICATED OCTOBER 16, 1938

pointed hour Rev. W. E. Scherry opened with the invocation. Following this Mr. Henry Kohlenberg, who had supervised the construction, presented the Rev. Scherry with the keys. With the words, "Open wide the doors," he opened the doors and the people marched in while the piano, played by Mrs. Walter Spangler, filled the sanctuary with harmonies of praise. The service began with an anthem of praise by the choir. The Rev. Josiah Friedli, D. D., of the Mission House College, Franklin, Wisconsin, delivered the dedicatory sermon; subject, "The Power of the Church."

Rev. Scherry then dedicated the sanctuary to the worship and service of Almighty God in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Preliminary services were held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings of the previous week. Rev. Huckeriede, of Terre Haute, Rev. David Grether, of Magley, and Rev. John Michael, of Clay City, Indiana, preached the Word. The attendance continued to be good for hearts filled with gratitude for the new house of worship, brought the people to the services.

At 2:30 P. M. Sunday the church was again filled to capacity, this time in connection with the annual Friends Day which had been established some years ago. Ministers of the classis delivered short addresses At the evening services the church was once more filled, the Rev. Friedli speaking on the subject, "The Mystery of the Church." Oofferings for the day amounted to $1,000.00.

The most noteworthy events of Rev. Scherry's pastorate were the laying of the corner stone, the dedication of the church and the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of our church.

THE FIRST CONFIRMATION CLASS TAKEN INTO THE NEW CHURCH

Paul Meyer, Betty Keiser, Dorothy Nees, Rosalind Hauser, Hubert Schopmeyer, Jean Meyer, Maxine Nickols, Wilmadean Spelbring, Mary Alice Thompson, Jean Schroer, Kathleen Nickols, Max Schroer, John Schopmeyer, Wilbur Latham, Roy William Sonnefield.

Others received on confession of faith were: Mrs. Keith Kord, Mrs. Walter Hauser, Rutherford Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Schroer and Mrs. Lociel Hudson.

Our 100th anniversary class is as follows: Roy K. Nees, John W. Nickols, Donald J. Mustard, Glenoid J. Hauser.

The funeral of William Kord December 11, 1938, was the first to be conducted in the new building.

Sheldon Dale Spelbring, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Spelbring, the first baptism, December 18, 1938.

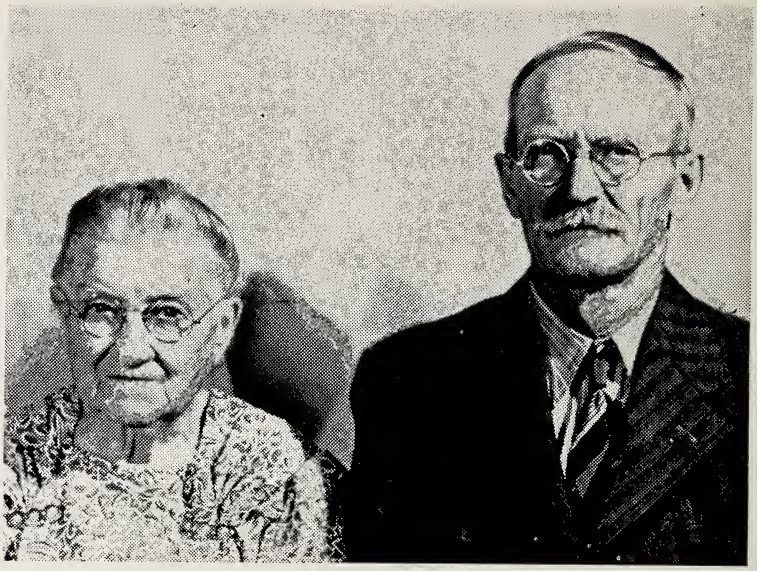
We Greet Our Golden Wedding Couples

Here we are almost at the end of our story and we have purposely reserved the mention of our three Golden Wedding Couples.

We wish we could have honored and congratulated previous couples in like manner, and also couples who will perhaps very soon celebrate their golden wedding, but time and space will not permit.

Not forgetting those who in the past were golden wedding couples and not forgetting those, who, perhaps soon will be, we as a congregation, on this our 100th anniversary, would honor those whom God has honored with a long life and fifty and more years of wedded life. The names and pictures of those who celebrated their weddings are: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Schultz, of Clay City, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huckriede and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hunsicker, of Poland, Indiana.

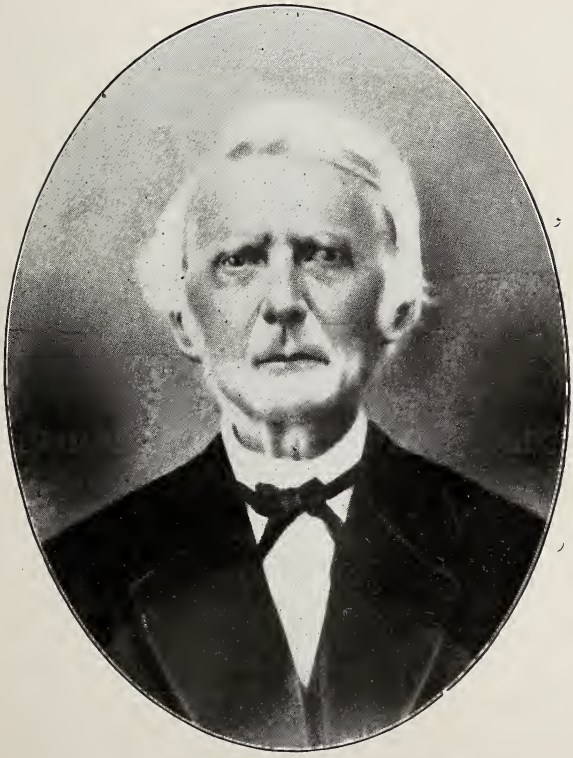
MR. AND MRS. W. E. SCHULTZ



MR. AND MRS. FRED HUCKRIEDE

MR. AND MRS. ED HUNSICKER

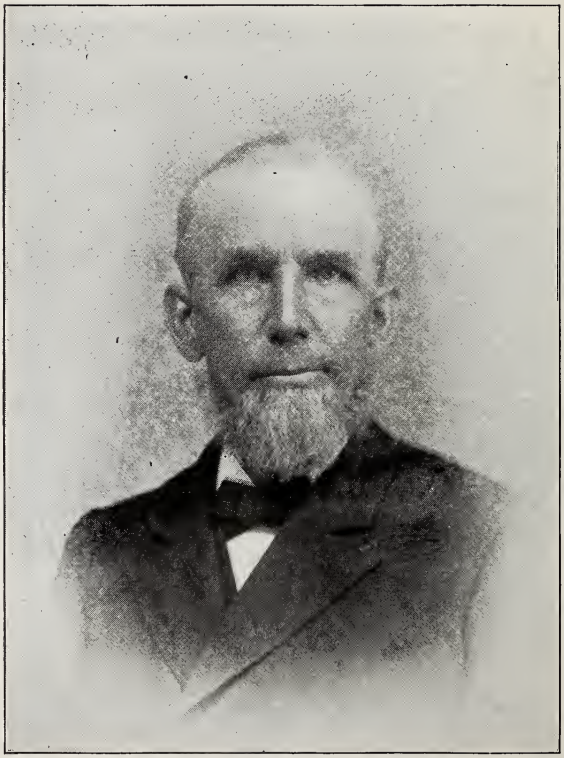
Former Pastors of Our Church



REV. GERHARDT H. ZUMPE

Our First Pastor.

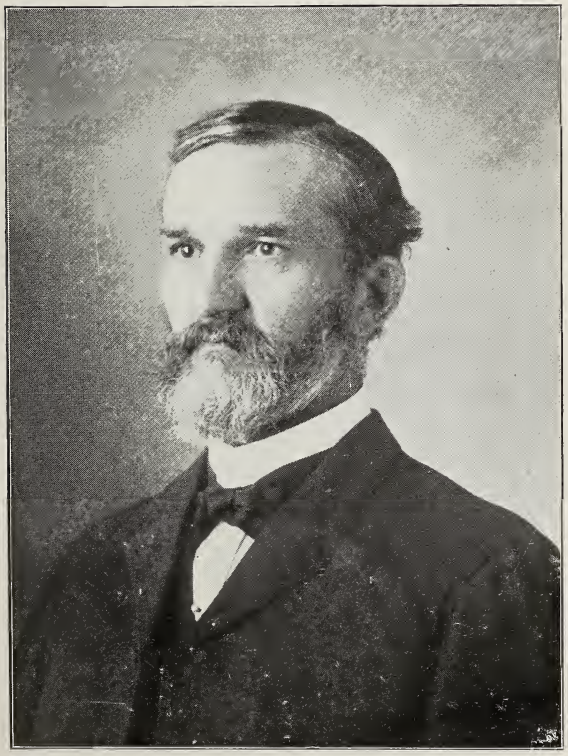
1840-1850; 1852-1866



REV. PETER JOERRIS

Our Second Pastor.

1866-1884



REV. A. G. GEKELER

Our Third Pastor.

1884-1888

REV. WILLIAM GRETHER

Our Fourth Pastor.

1888-1894

REV. H. H. KATTMAN
Our Fifth Pastor — 1895-1906

REV. C. H. RIEDESEL
Our Sixth Pastor — 1907-1913

REV. W. E. HUCKERIEDE
Our Seventh Pastor — 1913-1924

REV. MAT. WORTHMAN
Our Eighth Pastor — 1924-1931

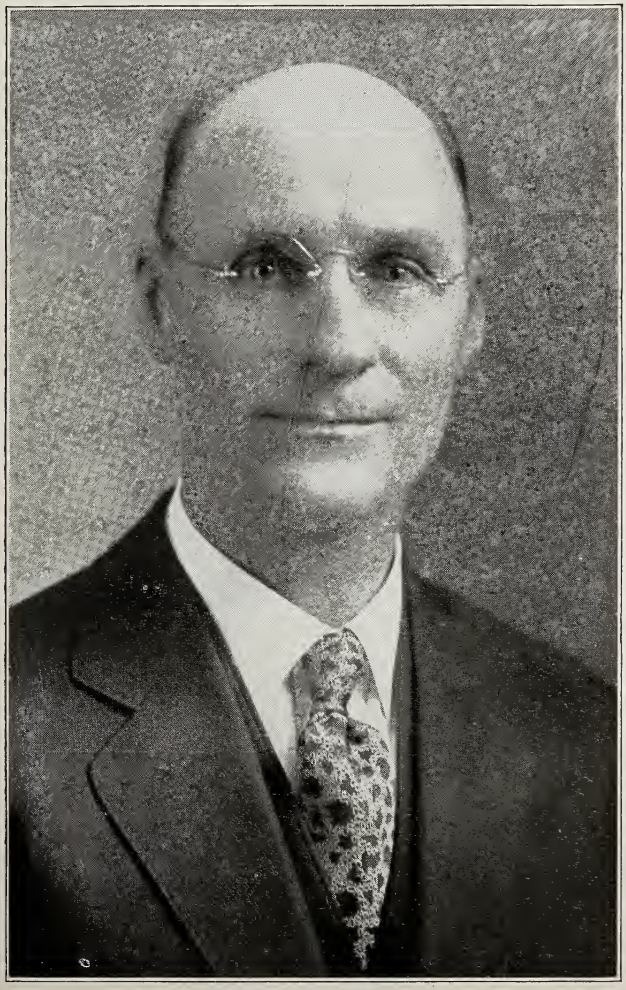
REV. REGINALD BARR
Our Ninth Pastor.
1931-1937

Below—

OUR PRESENT PASTOR,
W. E. SCHERRY AND FAMILY,
1937-19—?

Sons of the Congregation

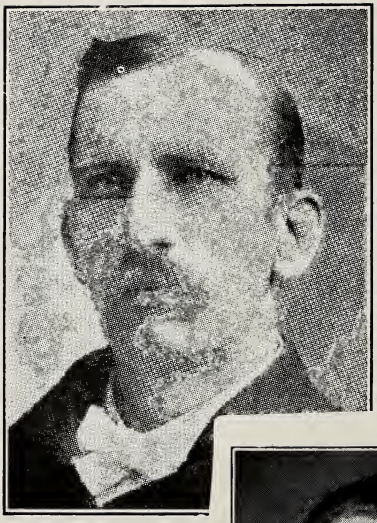
While the congregation claimed 10 regular pastors during the past 100 years, it has had the privilege of giving back seven sons to the denomination: Rev. J. B. Zumpe, Rev. H. O. Joerris, Rev. W. B. Joerris, Rev. W. H. Schroer, Rev. J. F. Tapy, Rev. C. O. Schroer and Rev. David Grether.



REV. C. O. SCHROER
Baptized by Rev. Peter Joerris, Confirmed by Rev. H. H. Kattman, Ordained July, 1911.

W. H. SCHROER
Baptized by Rev. P. Joerris; Confirmed by Rev. A. G. Gekeler; Ordained in 1898.

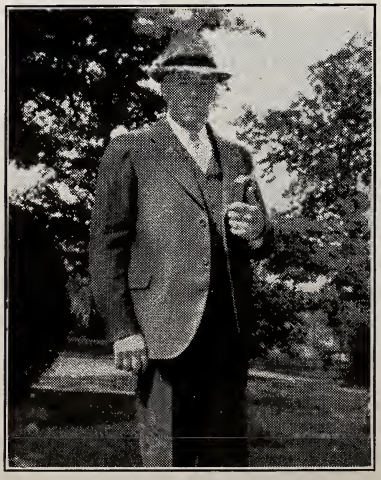
REV. W. B. JOERRIS
Deceased



REV. H. O. JOERRIS
Deceased

DAVID GRETHER
Magley, Ind.
Confirmed by Father; Ordained by Uncle, July 11, 1915.

REV. J. F. TAPY
Baptized by Rev. P. Joerris; Confirmed by Rev. Wm. Grether; Ordained July 16, 1905.



OUR DAUGHTERS GRACE THE MANSE

Mrs. Mary (Kattman) Baumunk
Mrs. Elizabeth (Niemeyer) Gekeler
Mrs. Louise (Schopmeyer) Seyring
Mrs. Laura (Ahlemeyer) Joerris
Mrs. Delzena (Sonnefield) Schroer
Mrs. Bertha (Spelbring) Tapy
Mrs. Emma (Ahlemeyer) Schroer

OUR ELDERS DURING THE CENTURY

George Knueppe	William Sonnefield	George Ahlemeyer
H. Boockhold	Henry Schopmeyer	Henry Kohlenberg
Fred Ahlemeyer	Henry Meyer	L. B. Ahlemeyer
Henry J. Schroer	Herman Bullerdick	F. W. Huckriede
Herman Schoppenhorst	Fred Schopmeyer	Chas. Sendmeyer
John G. Kattman	L. D. Tressel	A. F. Kattman
William Ahlemeyer	Henry Wahlbring	O. H. Spelbring
H. Huckriede	Edw. Strauch	John Kohlenberg
Henry Altemiller	J. H. Huckriede	Walter Spelbring
Henry Tapy	Fred Schultz	Fred Keiser
Stephen Fraasa	August Meyer	Lewis Spelbring
Henry Sendmeyer	Charley Schultz	William Kord
George Rubeck	Edw. Ahlemeyer	Walter Kord
Herman Schroer	John Hauser	Dennis Schroer
Henry Keiser	Albert Kattman	John Fledderjohn.

On examining the records we find that there are 40 and more people who have been members of the church 50 years and longer. Three of these have held a continuous membership of 70 to 74 years, respectively:

Mrs. Catherine Schroer, age 88, membership, 74½ years.

Mary Schopmeyer, age 85, membership, 70 years.

Henry Wahlbring, age 86, membership, 70 years.

We, as a congregation, on this our 100th anniversary would congratulate these members, whom God has honored with a long life. We appreciate what they have meant to us and the church. May God continue to bless and uphold them throughout their remaining years.

Many changes and improvements have been brought about during the 100 years since the founding of our church.

Thus we have come to the close of the history of the church. Our work as a committee is finished. It has been a labor of love, hard work and worry, as well as of exceeding interest, especially to the writer. Some one made the remark in the presence of your historian, "The Poland people certainly believe in doing things up right." That is true. The pastorates are a continuous story of improvements, progress and solid building, all of which went hand in hand with the fearless preaching of the Word of God. Throughout its long history of 100 years our congregation has been blessed with ministers who have believed that

"Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is in Jesus Christ." Zion's Evangelical and Reformed church certainly has been blessed. A gradual growth has taken place.

Oh yes, we have made mistakes; if no one ever made mistakes our lead pencils would not be supplied with erasers. We hope you will not be too severe with your criticisms. Please be honest with yourself and ask yourself the question, "Could I have done better if I would have been called upon to write this history?"

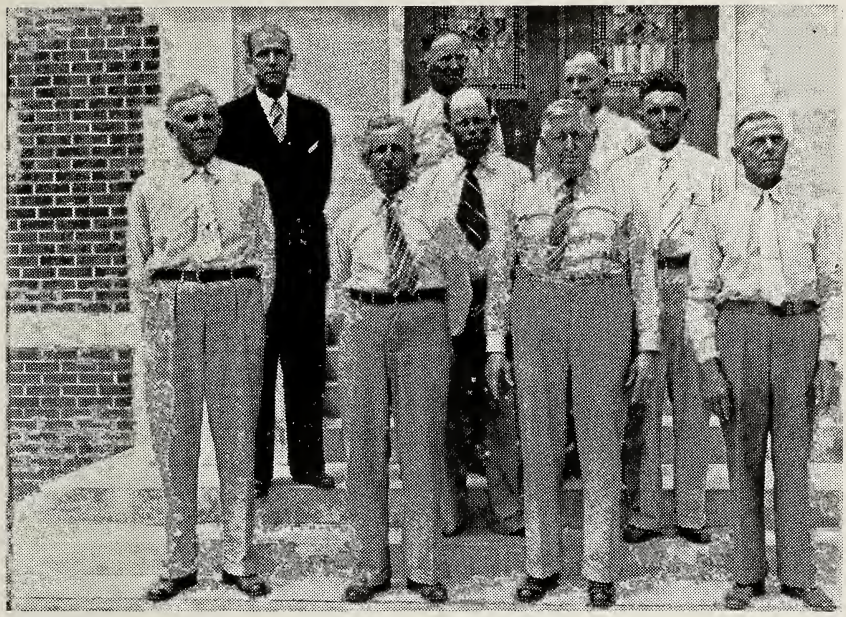
At the Turn of a Century

One hundred years—a century old,
This church of ours this year,
And gone are the ones who started it all
And lots of those who are dear,
But their lives have left a plan for us
To follow without doubt or fear,
To carry the thought of Brotherly Love
Into many a life without cheer
Just as our forefathers did for us
One hundred
years ago
this year.

And now its our duty to carry on
The ideas of Peace, Goodwill to men,
That should be in the hearts and minds of all
Who've accepted Our Father and then
Let our faith show forth in all that we do,
Whatever our trials have been,
Our courage renew from day to day
By communion with "God, Friend of Man"
Let us do our best to pass the test
In this
hundred years
here now.

One hundred years—a century old
Has this church of ours become,
And in retrospection we can see
How the battles of life have been won.
It was built and maintained in courage and strength
And a strong, steadfast Faith in the One
Who stood by in the past and in the future will say
"Be kind to one another, with malice toward none
Blessings on you and your children"
In the
hundred years
to come.

Selected. Mrs. Amy Lytle.



OUR CONSISTORY

First Row—Our Elders: Chas. Schultz, Walter Spelbring, Albert Kattman, Fred Keiser.

Second Row—Pastor: Rev. W. E. Scherry; Deacons: Harley Mustard, Clifford Nees.

Back Row—Deacons: Paul Ahlemeyer, Walter Kord.

The first consistory, elected in 1840, consisted of one elder and one deacon: Rev. Gerhard Zumpe, Pastor; William Ahlemeyer, Elder. and Henry J. Schroer, Deacon.

AFFILIATION WITH OHIO SYNOD

Since the great majority of the members as well as Pastor Zumpe, himself, had originally been members of the Reformed church in Germany, the congregation resolved to affiliate with the Reformed church in the United States. The congregation was accordingly received by the Ohio Synod, which comprised the state of Ohio and adjoining states. Subsequent redistricting of Classis and Synods made the congregation a part of the Northwest Synod. Still later adjustments brought the congregation into the Midwest Synod.

In 1937 or 1938 because of the merger of the Reformed church in the United States with the Evangelical Synod, another change took place. From this date our congregation is known as the Zion's Evangelical and Reformed church, of Poland, Indiana, and is a member of the Indianapolis Classis, Synod of Midwest of the Evangelical and Reformed church.

LADIES AID AND MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

MEMBERS OF THE LADIES AID AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY

First Row—Emma Kohlenberg, Mary Ahlemeyer, Rose Strauch, Margaret Fledderjohn, Catherine Schroer, Eliza Huckriede, Linda Kohlenberg, Ella Ahlemeyer, Bertha Kortepeter.

Second Row—Sarah Kattman, Lillie Kord, Meda Linton, Amelia Ahlemeyer, Frances Meyer, Edith Hauser, Sophia Fledderjohn, Estella Keiser, Leona Keiser.

Third Row—Flo Steuerwald, Anna Silliman, Mary Spelbring, Marie Sendmeyer, Arletta Schopmeyer, Emma Ahlemeyer, Dell Sendmeyer, Hallie Schopmeyer.

Fourth Row—Ruth Schopmeyer, Nina Spelbring, Mary Smith, Meda Frazier, Marjorie Hauser, Vallie Sonnefield.

Fifth Row—Bessie Kattman, Lucile Stwalley, Lola Nees, Esther Meyer, Dona Spangler, Alma Thompson, Ruth Kord, Mary Schopmeyer, Ida Meyer, Ida Nees.

Sixth Row—Cora Ahlemeyer, Sarah Huckriede, Mary Louise Hauser, Helen Mustard, Lydia Scherry, Minnie Nees, Beulah Spelbring, Flossie Meyer.

Members not in Picture: Mary Sonnefield, Merl Keiser, Laura Anderson, Leatha Wolverton, Mary Hofmann, Pauline Kord, Mary Fraasa, Edith Schopmeyer, Verna Nees, Floy Fritzinger, Essie Altemiller, Iva Bullerdick, Ella Mustard, Gertrude Routte, Lola Bullerdick, Rev. Scherry, Luda Hunsicker, Anna Hunsicker, Hilda Schopmeyer, Della Kattman, Ruth Schroer, Nola McCarten, Florence Nees, Irene Strauch, Elsie Telgemeyer, Hattie Pullen, Leatha Schopmeyer, Dora Spelbring, Elizabeth Hauser, Eva Berry, Nora Ahlemeyer, Hester Schofer, Ida Schopmeyer, Bertha Knoll.

THE LADIES AID AND MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Just two months after Rev. Joerris began his pastorate, in 1866, a meeting of the ladies of the church was called for the purpose of organizing a Ladies Aid Society. This organization received the name "Frauen Verein". Throughout the 75 years since its organization the society has engaged in innumerable acts of charity within and with out the church. Before the Woman's Missionary Society came into existence, the Ladies Aid did much for missions, and continues to do so. The contributions it has made to worthy causes have all been the result of voluntary giving.

A church and church property owned by the Methodists in Poland, was purchased by the society in the year 1925 for the sum of $600.00. This building is used as a Community House. It is here the Ladies Aid and other organizations of the church hold their meetings. These societies made a very fine contribution of $200.00 to the bulding fund, and also a centennial donation of $100.00. Some one has aid, "The Ladies Aid is the backbone of the church." That is very true to a great extent. Whenever called upon for a special contribution they are always ready to give a helping hand. Present membership is 70. The officers are:

Mrs. Flossie Meyer, President; Mrs. Frances Meyer, Vice President; Mrs. Mary Smith, Secretary; Mrs. Ida Nees, Treasurer.

THE

Officers and Teachers

AND

THE DEPARTMENTS OF OUR

Sunday School

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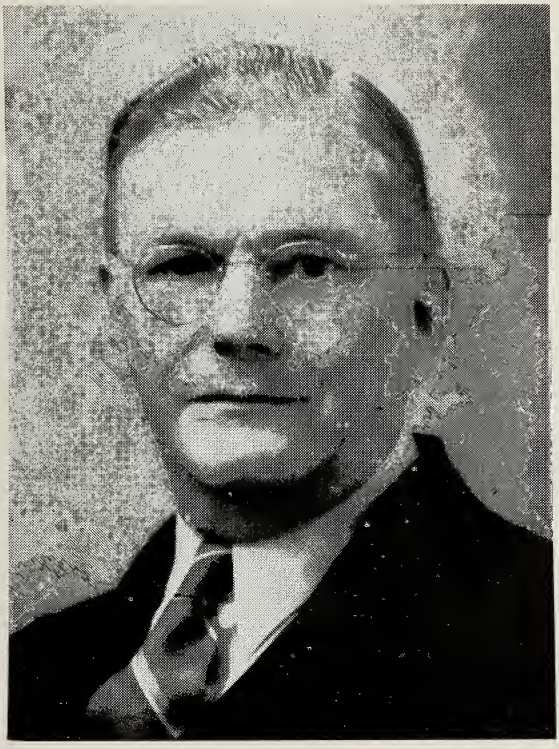
FROM THE FOLLOWING PAGES.



ROSS KATTMAN
Our Present Superintendent
1913-19—?

On Nov. 29, 1866, two months after the Rev. Peter Joerris began his pastorate, at a congregational meeting, Herman Keiser was elected the first superintendent and Henry Huckriede the first librarian. Since that time there is no further record of the congregation electing these officers. Beginning with 1870, the minutes report the election of both superintendent and assistant. We have no information as to how long these men served in that capacity or as to the manner in which the Sunday School was conducted.

From a notation by one of the pastors, dated January, 1889, the school had an enrollment of 114, with an average attendance of 47, and an average offering of 64 cents. A constitution was drafted and adopted, class record books and German and English Quarterlies introduced. "Spirit and Life" hymn books were purchased to be used by the school.

In 1890 the school had an enrollment of 135 with an average attendance of 76 and an average offering of 30 cents.

There being no further records available this brings us to the year 1913 when our present superintendent, Ross Kattman, was elected. Ross, as we are accustomed to call him, has a fine record of having succeeded himself for 28 years. He has always shown a great interest in the school and it has been his ambition and desire to make a first class school out of it.

A number of changes have been introduced, among which are: Grading of the school, graded lessons, change of opening exercises from time to time, and inauguration of "Friends Day" in 1924, which is observed on the second Sunday in October. Record attendance was 644. Outside speakers are usually invited for the occasion.

In 1939, the first Sunday of each month was set aside for a special offering for the benefit of the building fund. A special centennial gift of $200.00 has been given the Building Fund. Practically every class in the school has been organized.

The school is enjoying, and always has enjoyed the very best of superintendents. It has more than doubled its membership since 1889. The growth has been slow and steady.

Our superintendent has a splendid staff of officers and teachers whose services cannot be valued highly enough, and to whom the congregation owes its largest success. Enrollment at this time is 320 with an average attendance of 200, and an average offering of approximately $6.00 per Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Schopmeyer have an enviable record of having been in attendance every Sunday for 20 years.

Your historian would like to say more about the activities of the school, but no records are available preceding the year 1889, and only very few brief records since that time, to which he might have had access, the Sunday school records having been destroyed when the church burned. Practically the entire school, with perhaps a very few exceptions, remain for the preaching services. This is very commendable.

Our Orchestra

RALPH SCHOPMEYER, Director

1st Row—

Florence Neese, violin; Dona Spangler, piano; Walter Kord, 2nd cornet; Otis Schopmeyer, 1st cornet.

2nd Row—

Rev. W. E. Scherry, clarinet; Dale Stwalley, trombone; Arthur Meyer, alto; Ralph Schopmeyer, violin.

3rd Row—

Jean Thompson, bass; Paul Ahlemeyer, flute; Forest Campbell, alto.

MRS. DONA SPANGLER, Pianist

Dona has been the pianist for almost twenty years. She is always found at her post of duty.

Officers and Teachers

First Row—Hallie Schopmeyer, teacher; Frances Jean Sonnefield, Treasurer; Mary Jane Sendmeyer, Sec'y-Treas.; Ross Kattman, Superintendent; Dona Spangler, Pianist; Marie Sendmeyer, teacher.

Second Row—Bessie Kattman, teacher; Elinor Silliman, Assist. Treas. and teacher; Mary Hofmann, teacher; Edith Hauser, teacher; Beulah Ahlemeyer, teacher.

Back Row—Rev. W. E. Scherry, Pastor and teacher; Rex Schopmeyer, Assist. Treas.; Max Schroer, Assist. Sec'y; Wilbur Latham, librarian; Ralph Schopmeyer, teacher.

Absent: Harold Spelbring, Assist. Supt. and teacher; Virgil Telgemeyer, teacher; Virginia Ahlemeyer, teacher; Aurel Schopmeyer, teacher.

OUR CRADLE ROLL, THE FUTURE CHURCH

The Cradle Roll was organized by Mrs. W. E. Huckeriede. Present enrollment, 10. Present superintendent, Mrs. W .E. Scherry.

The following are enrolled at this time: Kenneth Lee Hauser, Merrill Vernon Schroer, Harold Neal Keiser, Robert Kenneth Schroer, Sheldon Dale Spelbring, David Arthur Schopmeyer, Carl Eugene Schopmeyer, Linda Kay Hauser, Wilhelmina Riddell, Marsha Sue Burns.

Class No. 1

VIRGINIA AHLEMEYER, Teacher

Front Row, left to right—Sheldon Spelbring, Doris Meyer, Neal Keiser, Kenneth Hauser, Patty Nees.

Second Row—Gordon Spelbring, John Gooch, Stephen Rippey, Carolyn Kord.

Members not in picture: Ella Mae Berry, Roberta Latham, Anna Mae Fritzinger, Virginia Ahlemeyer, teacher.

Class No. 2

HALLIE SCHOPMEYER, Teacher

Front Row, left to right—Jackie Stevenson, Billy Nees, John Edward Schroer, Ross Gooch, Kenneth Lee Scherry, Rosemary Mustard, Violet Schopmeyer, Maxine Spangler, Marvin Schopmeyer.

Back Row—Maxine Peterson, Francella Meyer, Nadine Meyer, Joetta Spelbring, Norma Meyer, Arlene Strauch, Rebecca Riddell, Herman Strauch, Hallie Schopmeyer, teacher.

Absent: Fancheon Latham, Colleen McCarton, Thelma Fritzinger, Jimmy Schroer, Leorna Nelson, Joe Riddell.

Class No. 3

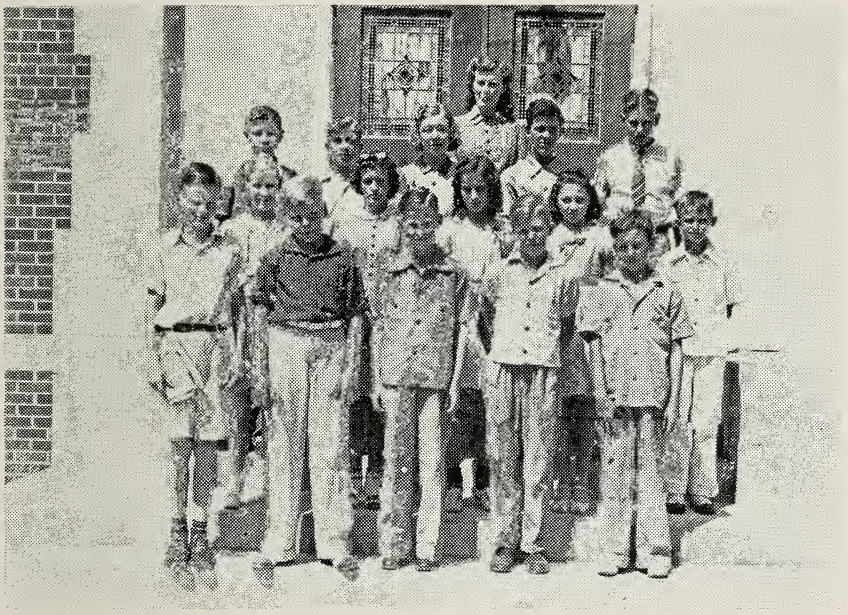
MARY HOFMANN, Teacher

First Row—John Peterson, Donald Nees, James Spelbring, Wayne Nees.

Second Row—Bernice Scherry, Barbara Ruth Spelbring, Mary Lou Hauser, Patsy Meyer.

Back Row—Mary Hofmann, Teacher.

Absentees: Shirley Nyles, Victor Berry, Wanda Neese, Billy Glen Hudson, Mary Lou Trester, Donald Mace, Ruth Adkins.



Class No. 4

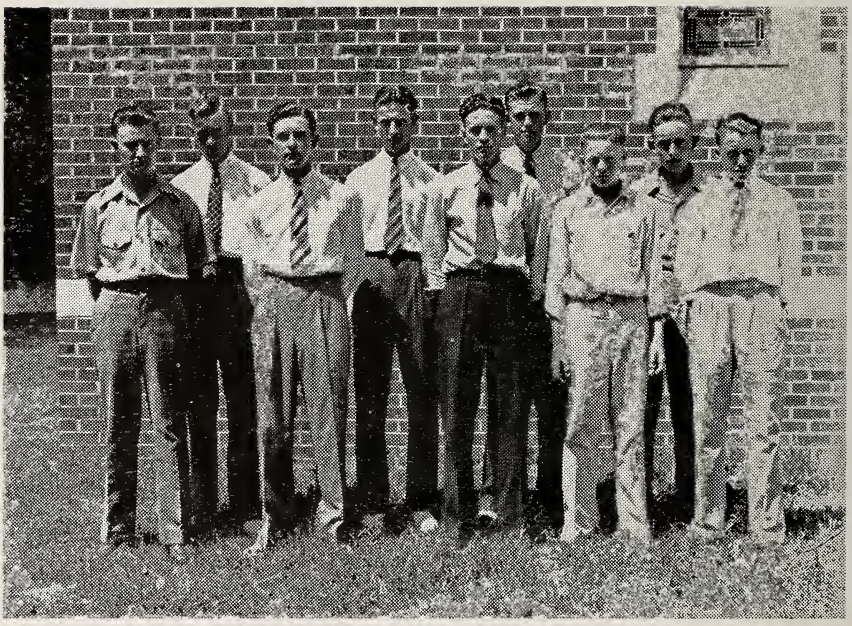
ELINOR SILLIMAN, Teacher

First Row—John Silliman, Robert Still, Gilbert Hassler, Forest Nees, Billy Koelbur.

Second Row—Anna Schopmeyer, Garnet Hayes, Joan Schroer, Marcella Swalley, Billy Ross Sonnefield.

Third Row—Glenroy Hauser, Roy Nees, Gene Meyer, Robert Koelbur, Donald Mustard, Elinor Sililman, teacher.

Absentees: Imogene Query, Forest Nees, Herschel Nickols, John Fritzinger, John Nickols, Doradean Nelson, Florence Adkins, Robert Trester, Freda Nees, Ronald McCarton.



Class No. 5

HAROLD SPELBRING, Teacher

Left to Right—Roy Sonnefield, Jr., Hubert Schorer, Wilbur Latham, Max Schroer, John Schopmeyer, Rex Schopmeyer, Charles Meyer, Paul Meyer, Ray Nees.

Absentees: Harold Spelbring, teacher, Junior Schopmeyer, Hubert Schopmeyer.

Class No. 6

MARIE SENDMEYER, Teacher

First Row—Evelyn Jane Nees, Wilmadean Spelbring, Mary Alice Thompson, Frances Jean Sonnefield, Norma Nees.

Second Row—Rosella Nees, Betta Keiser, Clara Nelson, Elnora Hayes, Marie Sendmeyer, teacher.

Third Row—Elinor Silliman, Mary Jane Sendmeyer, Roselyn Hauser.

Absentees: Maxine Nickols, Kathleen Nickols, Marjorie Thompson, Evelyn Wolverton, Roxie Stigler, Marie Adkins, Anna Nelson, Dorothy Nees, Virginia Ahlemeyer.

This class donated the candelabras.

Class No. 7

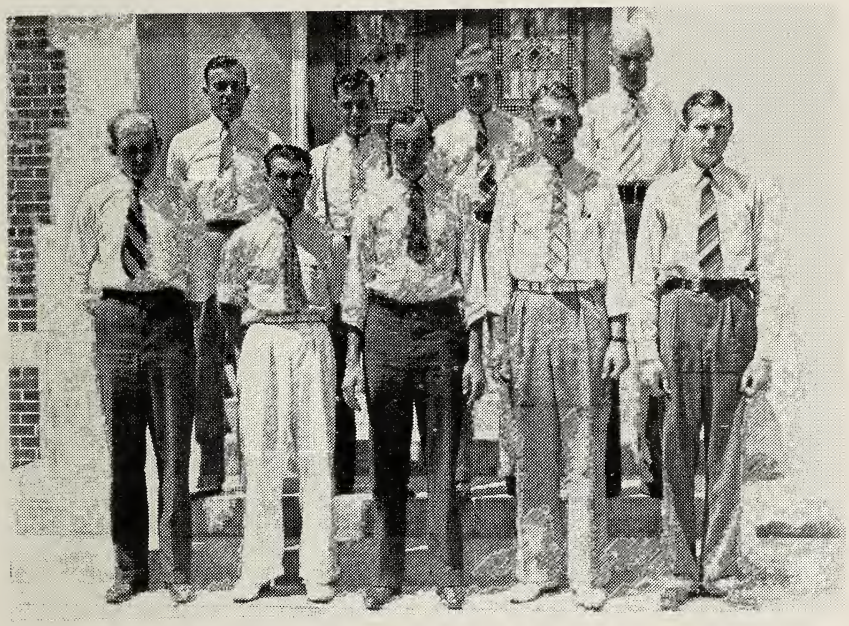
BEULAH AHLEMEYER, Teacher

1st Row, left to right—Florence Neese, Margaret Sonnefield, Rachael Spelbring, Dorothy Nees, Edna Sendmeyer, Dorothy Huckriede.

Second Row—Anna K. Huckriede, Marjorie Scott, Nellie Fischer, Beulah Ahlemeyer, teacher, Florence Nees.

Absentees: Phyllis Thompson, Mildred Williams, Ruth Neese, Helen Stigler.

This class made a centennial donation of $10.00.



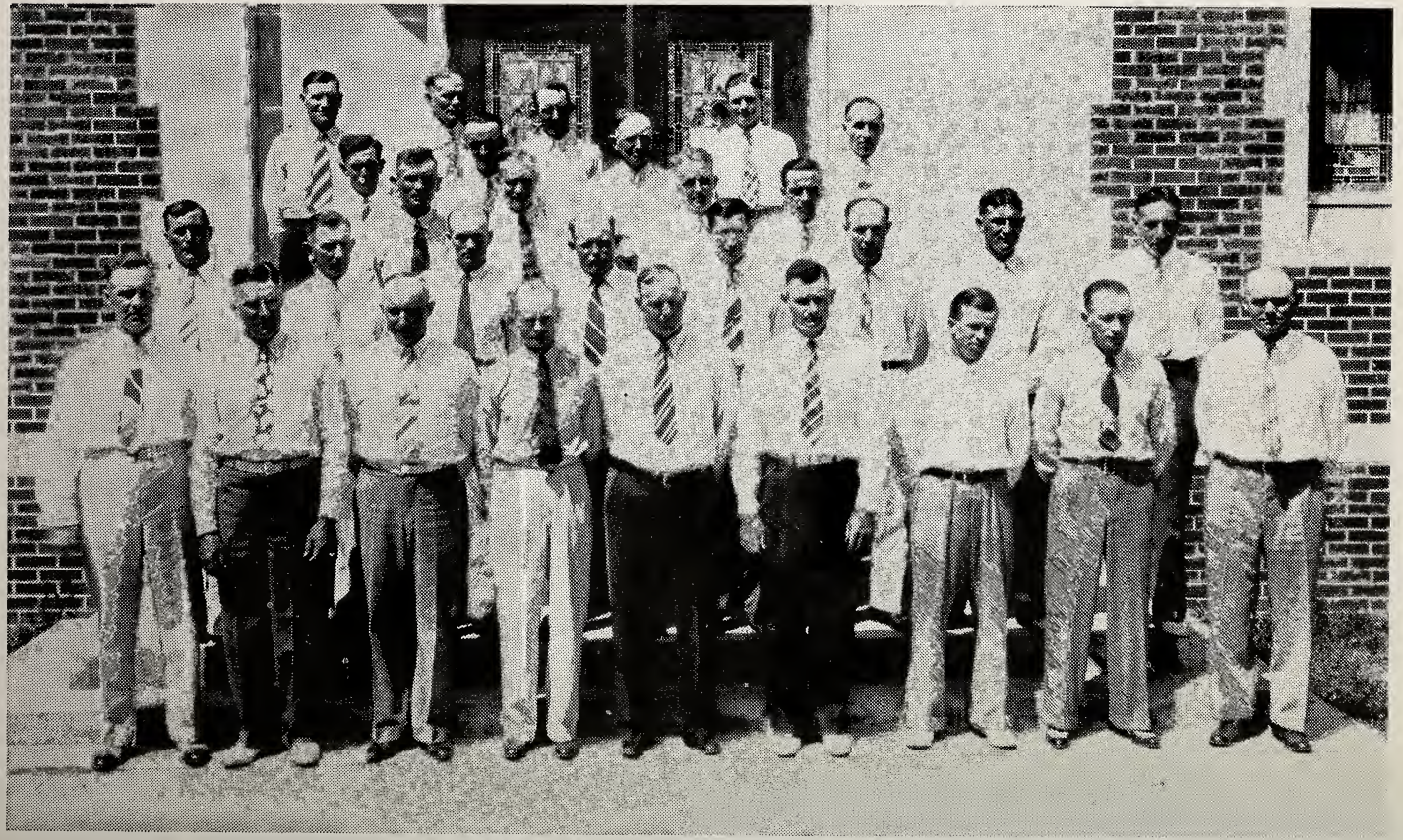
Class No. 8

VIRGIL TELGEMEYER, Teacher

Front Row, left to right—Austin Ahlemeyer, Herschel Nees, Noble Ahlemeyer, Glendon Sendmeyer, Hilton Smith.

Second Row—Harold Nees, James Schopmeyer, Forest Campbell, Fred Ahlemeyer.

Absentees: Ovid Telgemeyer, Norral Schopmeyer, Carl Spelbring, Forest Thompson, Ernest Schopmeyer, Justin Schopmeyer, Max Stanley, Francis Ahlemeyer, Virgil Telgemeyer, teacher.



CLASS NO. 9— RALPH SCHOPMEYER, Teacher. (Names on Next Page)

Membership Class No. 9

Front Row, left to right—Roy Spelbring, Arthur Meyer, Walter Hauser, Walter Meyer, Ray Spelbring, Ralph Schroer, Herschel Spelbring, Lester Sonnefield, Ralph Schopmeyer, teacher.

Second Row—Vere Nees, Ralph Latham, Harry Meyer, Harley Mustard, Gaylord Neese, Robert Hauser, Dale Swalley, Marion Sendmeyer.

Third Row—Oscar Meyer, Bill Smith, John Strauch, Walter Spangler.

Fourth Row—Lowell Swalley, Ross Strauch, Paul Ahlemeyer, Jean Thompson.

Fifth Row—Otis Schopmeyer, Walter Kord, Howard Keiser, Roy Schopmeyer.

Absentees: Carl Schopmeyer, Clayburn Schopmeyer, Stanley Schopmeyer, Keith Kord, Ed Fritzinger.

This class of young men donated the buzzer system, the clock and $18.75 to the new church, and a centennial donation of $100.00 for the building fund.

"Duty Doers", Class No. 10

Officers of Class No. 10 are: Aurel Schopmeyer, teacher; Bertha Knoll, president, and Ruth Kord, secretary-treasurer.

In 1925, the large class of women, taught by Mr. John Huckriede, was divided into two classes, the one taught by Mr. Huckriede, and the other by Mrs. Worthman. Mr. Huckriede's class at that time consisted of those mothers whose children were of school age. This class was organized in December, 1932, and received the name "Duty Doers". This class has been engaged in innumerable acts of charity, within and with out the church. They contributed the five windows in the west end of the new church building, made covers for the communion table, pulpit and reading lectern. Besides this they made a fine cash donation of $186.00 to the building fund and a centennial donation of $35.00.

This sketch was contributed by Dorothy Huckriede.

Duty Doers Class

AUREL SCHOPMEYER, Teacher

First Row—left to right—Laura Schultz, Ida Schopmeyer, Esther Meyer, Arletta Schopmeyer, Meda Frazier.

Second Row—Ruth Kord, Ruth Schopmeyer, Mary Sonnefield, Mazo Sonnefield, Mary Spelbrin9g, Minnie Neese.

Third Row—Emma Schroer, Elsie Schroer, Cora Ahlemeyer, Sarah Huckriede.

Absentees: Aurel Schopmeyer, teacher, Letha Schopmeyer, Bertha Knoll, Elsie Telgemeyer, Ida Altemiller, Stella Anderson, Iva Bullerdick, Iva Little, Della Kattman, Nora Ahlemeyer, Nola McCarton, Essie Altemiller and Mearl Keiser.

Friends' Day Theme Song

There's a church in the valley by the wild-wood,
No lovelier spot in the dale;
No place is so dear to my child-hood,
As the little brown church in the vale.

Oh, come to the church in the wild-wood,
To the trees where the wild flowers bloom;
Where the parting hymn will be chanted,
We will weep by the side of the tomb.

How sweet on a clear, Sabbath morning,
To list to the clear ringing bell;
Its tones so sweetly are calling,
Oh, come to the church in the vale.

From the church in the valley by the wild-wood
When day fades away into night,
I would fain from this spot of my child-hood,
Wing my way to the mansions of Light.

Chorus

Oh, come, come, come, come,
Come to the church in the wild-wood,
Oh, come to the church in the vale;
No spot is so dear to my child-hood
As the little brown church in the vale.

Selected.

Centennial Donations

FOR BUILDING FUND

Ralph Schopmeyer's Class	$100.00
Ladies Aid Society	100.00
Mothers' Class	100.00
Men's Class	100.00
Duty Doers Class	35.00
Edith Hauser's Class	35.00
Virgil Telgemeyer's Class	20.00
Beulah Ahlemeyer's Class	10.00
Hallie Schopmeyer's Class	5.00
Sunday School Donation	200.00
Total	$705.00

We appreciate and heartily thank you for these fine centennial donations. W. H. SCHROER.

MOTHER'S CLASS — BESSIE KATTMAN, Teacher

Members of Mothers' Class

First Row—Sarah Lash, Pauline Kord, Lola Neese, Mrs. W. E. Scherry, Bessie Kattman, teacher, Beulah Spelbring, Dona Spangler, Mary Schopmeyer, Marjorie Hauser.

Second Row—Dorothy Burns, Mary Smith, Lucy Ruth Spelbring, Emma Ahlemeyer, Nina Spelbring, Della Sendmeyer, Flossie Meyer, Frances Meyer, Leona Keiser, Ida Meyer, Ruth Sonnefield, Ruth Schopmeyer.

Third Row—Stella Keiser, Anna Silliman, Helen Mustard, Mary Louise Hauser, Ruth Gooch, Edna Mae Stwalley, Vallie Sonnefield, Ida Nees.

Fourth Row—Lucile Stwalley, Lois Schroer, Esther Latham, Belle Stwalley. Esther Schorer, Dora Schopmeyer, Alma Thompson.

Absentees: Lochiel Hudson, Leatha Wolverton, Edith Smith, Edith Schopmeyer, Ella Neese, Irene Strauch, Elsie Meyer, Minnie Altemiller, Elizabeth Hauser, Floy Fritzinger, Ella Mustard, Ruth Schroer, Luda Hunsicker, Bertha Nickols, Dora Spelbring, Margaret Adkins, Eva Berry, Edith Schroer.

Mothers' Class

Mrs. Leona Keiser ..... President
Mrs. Mary Smith ..... Vice President
Mrs. Eva Berry ..... Secretary-Treasurer

Owing to the over crowded condition of the late John Huckriede's class of women this class, known as the "Mothers Class", was organized about the year 1925. It has been very fortunate, having had only two teachers, namely: Mrs. Emma Worthman and Mrs. Bessie Kattman, the latter being teacher the past fourteen years. "OTHERS" seems to be their motto. Every year this class contributes generously to the church without and within. When the former brick church was destroyed and a new one begun the class resolved to buy the bell, the bell which had called the community to worship the past 50 years, having mysteriously disappeared. The present bell has a story of its own to tell. At one time it hung in a tower of the German Methodist church in Jeffersonville, Ind. This church was destroyed during the Ohio valley flood in January, 1937. During the summer of 1938 the class bought this bell from this abandoned church for $195.00. A cash donation of $35.00 was made on "Friend's Day" of 1939, to the building fund, also a centennial gift of $100.00. This sketch was contributed by Mrs. Frances Meyer.

CLASS NO. 12, EDITH HAUSER, Teacher.

Members of Class No. 12

EDITH HAUSER, Teacher

First Row—Emma Kohlenberg, Sophia Fledderjohn, Mrs. Minne Admire, Margaret Fledderjohn, Mary Schopmeyer, Catherine Schroer, Eliza Huckriede.

Second Row—Mary Ahlemeyer, Meda Linton, Lilly Kord, Rose Strauch, Linda Kohlenberg, Elizabeth Fischer, Ella Ahlemeyer.

Third Row—Amelia Ahlemeyer, Edith Hauser, teacher, Bertha Kortepeter, Sarah Kattman, Flo Dierdorf.

Absentees: Hester Schofer, Mary Schroer, Mary Fraasa, Emma Kattman, Thressa Krack, Mrs. Mathieson, Ella Mischler, Mrs. Huber, This class donated the communion table.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, REV. W. E. SCHERRY, Teacher.

Members of Men's Bible Class

First Row, left to right—Rev. Scherry, teacher, Albert Fledderjohn, Henry Kohlenberg, Walter Spelbring, Fred Hofmann, Fred Keiser, Henry Lash, John Fledderjohn, John Stwalley.

Second Row—Eward Schopmeyer, August Fledderjohn, Clarence Sonnefield, Clifford Neese, Lewis Schopmeyer, U. E. Sendmeyer, Fred Spelbring.

Third Row—R. B. Campbell, L. B. Ahlemeyer, Darrel Gooch, Albert Kattman, John C. Schroer, Dennis Schroer.

Fourth Row—Bert Campbell, Elmer Schroer, John F. Schroer, Fred Huckriede.

Back Row—Charles Schultz, O. H. Spelbring, Dr. Silliman, Ross Kattman, Lewis Strauch, John Altemiller, John Kohlenberg, Roy Sonnefield.

Absentees: George Neese, Edward Frazier, Arthur Kattman, John Wahlbring, John Hauser, Harry Telgemeyer, Henry Wahlbring, Clarence Schopmeyer, Walter Schopmeyer, A. E. Fritzinger, W. H. Schroer, W. E. Schultz.

During the pastorate of Rev. C. H. Riedesel, Walter Spelbring was instrumental in interesting the men in forming a Sunday school class. Up to this date these men had been propping themselves against the fence while the Sunday school sessions were being conducted. We doubt very much whether the Sunday school lessons were discussed during this period. Perchance farming and other secular subjects were more popular. Rev. Riedesel became their first teacher. We are glad to note that this class has grown from year to year and today has an enrollment of 47. Rev. W. E. Scherry is their present teacher. We are happy to note that they contributed the electric light fixtures and the chairs for the rostrum as a special gift. Also a centennial donation of $100.00 for the Building Fund.

Mission Band

DOROTHY HUCKRIEDE, Leader

First Row—Billy Nees, Keeneth Lee Scherry, Norma Meyer, Arlene Strauch, Rosemary Mustard, Joetta Spelbring, Carolyn Sue Kord, Herman Strauch.

Second Row—Nadine Meyer, Patty Meyer, Mary Lou Hauser, Violet Schopmeyer, Maxine Spangler, Maxine Peterson, Jimmy Spelbring.

Third Row—Francella Meyer, Bernice Scherry, Barbara Ruth Spelbring, Marcella Stwalley, Joan Schroer.

Fourth Row—John Silliman, Robert Still, Donald Neese, John Peterson.

Fifth Row—Dorothy Huckriede, leader.

Absentees: Joan Fritzinger, Anna Mae Fritzinger, Shirley Nyles, Marvin Schopmeyer, Ross Gooch, Marilyn Jean Neese.

The Mission Band was organized June 29, 1938, by Mrs. W. E. Scherry, with seventeen charter members. March 11, 1939, Dorothy Huckriede was chosen their leader. Present enrollment is 32. The officers are:

Joan Schroer	President
Francella Meyer	Secretary
Nadine Meyer	Treasurer

Girls' Missionary Band

MARIE SENDMEYER, Counsellor

First Row—Edna Sendmeyer, Wilmadean Spelbring, Frances Jean Sonnefield, Mary Alice Thompson, Evelyn Jane Neese, Jean Meyer.

Second Row—Marie Sendmeyer, counsellor, Mary Jane Sendmeyer, Clara Nelson, Elnora Hayes, Dorothy Huckriede.

Third Row—Anna Katherine Huckriede, Elinor Silliman, Beulah Ahlemeyer, Roselyn Hauser.

The Girls' Missionary Guild was organized in November, 1925, by Mrs. Matthew Worthman, with 14 charter members. Today the Guild has an enrollment of 22 members with Mrs. Marie Sendmeyer, counsellor. The present officers are:

Evelyn Jane Neese	President
Dorothy Huckriede	Vice President
Wilmadean Spelbring	Secretary
Elnora Hayes	Treasurer

This organization meets once per month for the study of missions. The railing about the rostrum and reading lectern is their donation to the new church.

In Grateful Remembrance

REV. G. H. ZUMPE
Our First Pastor
1840—1850; 1852—1866

REV. PETER JOERRIS
Our Second Pastor
1866—1884

REV. A. G. GEKELER
Our Third Pastor
1884—1888

REV. WILLIAM GRETHER
Our Fourth Pastor
1888—1894

REV. H. H. KATTMAN
Our Fifth Pastor
1895—1906

A Word From Our Pastor

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Psalm 133:1. After this manner sang the Psalmist, and what could be more impressive than a group of brethren, having one mind and one spirit, as they set out to establish another congregation to the honor and glory of the Triune God. What must have been their feelings as they set out from the home land, and what wonder must have been theirs when they first glimpsed the new land. Soon after arriving in Indiana, these noble Christian pioneers, with true Christian foresight, organized themselves into a Christian congregation, known as Zion's Reformed Church of Poland.

Today, on this Hundredth Anniversary of the congregation, we honor the memory of those sturdy pioneers of the faith, who made it possible for us to worship God in the spirit of freedom. We also honor those, who through these hundred years, have kept alive the spark of faith and reverence.

Zion's Church has been privileged to have God-fearing ministers through the years, but these ministers have also had the privilege of working with consecrated and loyal Christian people. During these hundred years the congregation has enjoyed a steady growth, not alone in numbers but also in spirituality and stewardship. Looking back across the years, we can say, "Certainly, the Lord has led us hitherto." By the grace of God we are privileged to celebrate one hundred years of service to this community. The credit for the success of this Hundredth Anniversary celebration must go the members themselves who showed their willingness to cooperate with the various committees. I consider it a privilege to work in Zion's.

"Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever."

Sincerely, Your Pastor,

REV. W. E. SCHERRY.

OUR MEMBERS

Ahlemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Lafe
Ahlemeyer, Austin
Ahlemeyer, Noble
Ahlemeyer, Fred
Ahlemeyer, Beulah
Ahlemeyer, Francis
Ahlemeyer, Mrs. Mary
Ahlemeyer, Mrs. Ella
Ahlemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Paul
Ahlemeyer, Virginia
Ahlemeyer, Amelia
Ahlemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Aldendorf, Mrs. William
Aldendorf, Calvin
Aldendorf, Bertha
Altemiller, Miss Emma
Altemiller, Rosina
Altemiller, Mr. and Mrs. John
Altemiller, Lenna
Altemiller, Clarence
Altemiller, Mr. and Mrs. Harry
Anderson, Mrs. Catherine
Anderson, Mrs. Laura
Bailey, Alice
Barnes, Clara
Boyer, Lulla
Brewer, Mrs. Mary
Bullerdick, Albert and Family
Bullerdick, Clyde
Bullerdick, Perry
Bullerdick, Mrs. Perry
Bullerdick, Forrest
Bullerdick, Kenneth
Bullerdick, Ellen
Burns, Mrs. Harley
Burns, Mrs. Kenneth
Campbell, Rutherford
Campbell, Emma
Campbell, Sarah
Campbell, Forest
Dreher, Martha
Fledderjohn, Mr. and Mrs. John
Fledderjohn, Sophia
Fledderjohn, August
Fledderjohn, Albert
Fledderjohn, Frank
Fraasa, Mary
Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Fritzinger, Mr. and Mrs. Al
Fritzinger, John
Fritzinger, Edwin
Fritzinger, Frank
Fritzinger, James
Fischer, Elizabeth
Fischer, Charlotte
Fischer, Nellie
Furneaux, Elizabeth
Green, Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Green, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin
Haltom, Dorothy
Hauser, Mr. and Mrs. Walter
Hauser, Edith
Hauser, Mr. and Mrs. Robert
Hauser, Mr. and Mrs. John
Hauser, Rosalind
Hauser, Glenroid
Hudson, Lociel
Hoffa, Minnie
Huckriede, Sarah
Huckriede, Anna Katheryn
Huckriede, Dorothy
Huckriede, Mr. and Mrs. Fred
Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Fred
Hunsicker, Mr. and Mrs. Ed
Hunsicker, Ruth
Hunsicker, Mr. and Mrs. George
Hunsicker, Ralph
Hunsicker, Woodrow
Hunsicker, Mr. and Mrs. Fred
Hunter, Mrs. Lela
Kattman, Mr. and Mrs. Albert
Kattman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur
Kattman, Mr. and Mrs. Ross
Kattman, Otis
Kattman, Bertha
Kattman, James
Keiser, August
Keiser, Albert
Keiser, Dorothy
Keiser, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar
Keiser, George
Keiser, Lewis
Keiser, Mr. and Mrs. Glenden
Keiser, Mr. and Mrs. Fred
Keiser, Carl
Keiser, Grace Nell

OUR MEMBERSHIP -- Continued

Keiser, Betty
Keiser, Mr. and Mrs. Howard
Keiser, Mr. and Mrs. George
Keiser, Clyde
Kinder, Mrs. Helen
Knoll, Mrs. Bertha
Knoll, Eloise
Kohlenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Henry
Kohlenberg, Mr. and Mrs. John
Kord, Mrs. William
Kord, Mr. and Mrs. Keith
Kord, Mr. and Mrs. Walter
Kortepeter, Bertha
Latham, Mazo
Latham, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph
Latham, Wilbur
Little, Iva
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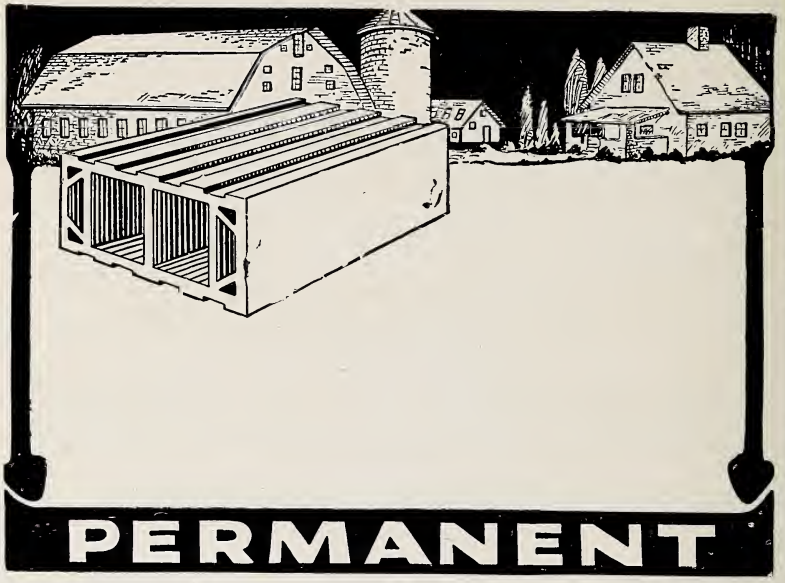

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